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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Akihiro FUNAKOSHI et al.  
Title: A PREVENTIVE OR THERAPEUTIC AGENT FOR  
PANCREATITIS COMPRISING IL-6 ANTAGONIST  
AS AN ACTIVE INGREDIENT  
Appl. No.: 09/762,550  
Appl. Filing Date: 02/09/2001  
Examiner: Lorraine Spector  
Art Unit: 1647  
Confirmation Number: 5276

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[ ] Other \_\_\_\_.

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b. Enclosed is:

☒ Submission Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c).

☐ Other .

2. A Notice of Appeal was filed on April 6, 2006. Thus, applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to extend the deadline for filing a response to July 6, 2006.

3. The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$790.00	= \$790.00
Total Claims:	13	- 39	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	3	- 9	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$360.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$790.00
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Extension for response filed within the first month:				\$120.00	1 \$120.00
EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:					\$120.00
EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:					- \$0.00
EXTENSION FEE TOTAL					\$0.00
CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:					\$910.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):					\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FEE:</b>					<b>\$910.00</b>

A credit card payment form in the amount of \$910.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment,

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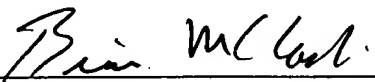
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to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date June 22, 2006

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